

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
TUESDAY, JULY 22, 1997 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION: Fire activity increased in Alaska, the Northwest and Great Basin. New large fires were reported in Texas, Utah, New Mexico and northern California. The National Interagency Coordination Center processed resource orders for three Type I crews and miscellaneous overhead for Alaska. Fire danger ranges from high to extreme for numerous units throughout the western United States, Texas and New Jersey.

ALASKA LARGE FIRES:

INOWAK, Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska State. A Type II Incident Management Team (Kechter) is assigned. Fire behavior significantly increased when the inversion lifted yesterday. Firefighters observed 40 to 50 foot flame lengths and spotting up to 1,000 feet ahead of the fire. Additional personnel and cargo were delivered to Red Devil as travel conditions improved.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
INOWAK	SWS	AK	469,000	0	UNK	238	10	0	3	3	UNK	1.1M

Alaska has 42 other large fires burning for a total of 1,234,450 acres.

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

PAHCOON, Cedar City District, BLM. This fire is located 15 miles northwest of St. George, UT. Suppression efforts are being hampered by extremely dry fuels, high temperatures, and gusty winds.

BUCKSKIN, Cedar City District, BLM. Containment was expected last night. No other information was available.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
PAHCOON	CCD	UT	2,000	40	UNK	150	4	4	1	0	NR	NR
BUCKSKIN	CCD	UT	250	50	7/21	55	2	6	1	0	NR	NR

SOUTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

RAIDER, Sante Fe NF. No other information was received.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
RAIDER	SNF	NM	225	50	7/25	104	4	4	1	0	NR	75K

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
MARKLEY	LNU	CA	330	100	---	220	9	9	1	0	NR	NR

LNU = Lake Napa Ranger Unit, California State

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
TIO CANO	RGR	TX	400	100	---	10	0	3	1	0	NR	NR

RGR = Rio Grande NWR

OUTLOOK:

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR ***
 *** CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN NEVADA FOR DRY THUNDERSTORMS ***

Alaska will have scattered showers and wet thunderstorms in the central and northern regions. Rain showers are likely in the south. Temperatures will range from the 50's and 60's along the coast to the 70's in the interior.

Utah will be mostly cloudy with scattered afternoon showers and thunderstorms in the north. Southern Utah will have numerous showers and thunderstorms. Temperatures across the state will be in the mid 80's and 90's.

Nevada will have mostly cloudy skies with scattered afternoon showers and thunderstorms. Northern temperatures will be in the mid 80's and 90's. Southern highs will range from the 80's to near 102.

Arizona and New Mexico will be partly cloudy with scattered afternoon and evening thunderstorms. Temperatures will reach the 70's and 80's in the mountains and the 90's to 105 in the valleys and Arizona deserts.

Scattered showers and wet thunderstorms are forecast for California, especially in the mountains. Coastal temperatures will be in the 60's and 70's. Mountain temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's, with valley and desert highs reaching the 90's and low 100's.

Partly cloudy skies with afternoon showers and thunderstorms will dominate Colorado. Temperatures will range from the 70's in the mountains to the 80's and 90's elsewhere.

FIRES: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA		5	1		4		10
NORTHWEST	1	3		1		17	22

CA-NORTH					14	2	16
CA-SOUTH					14	2	16
NORTHERN					5	4	9
GB-EAST		3				2	5
GB-WEST		1				8	9
SOUTHWEST	1	3			3	9	16
ROCKY MTN		4		1		2	7
EASTERN						1	1
SOUTHERN			1		24		25
USA	2	19	2	2	64	47	136

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA		51,389	6,644		30,976		89,009
NORTHWEST	5	16		0		2	23
CA-NORTH					320	0	320
CA-SOUTH					78	82	160
NORTHERN					1	0	1
GB-EAST		2,220				0	2,220
GB-WEST		10				2	12
SOUTHWEST	0	0			2	2	4
ROCKY MTN		52		0		0	52
EASTERN						0	0
SOUTHERN			400		1,355		1,755
USA	5	2,282	7,044	0	32,732	88	93,556

RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources

AREA	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICOP.		AIRTNK.		OVERHEAD	
	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O
ALASKA	6	8			6	4	2	2	46	19
NORTHWEST			4		1				4	
CA-NORTH		22		15	1	6		7		10
CA-SOUTH	5		13		2		1			
NORTHERN										
GB-EAST	5	1	13	2	7		1		6	
GB-WEST	1		8							
SOUTHWEST	4		13		7					
ROCKY MTN	1		6		1					
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN			3		1					
USA	22	31	60	17	26	10	4	9	56	29

FED = FEDERAL AND FEDERAL CONTRACT RESOURCES

ST/O = STATE OR OTHER RESOURCES

NR = NO REPORT

FIRES: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	6	62	40	10	460	9	587
NORTHWEST	85	87	6	19	373	227	797
CA-NORTH	59	26	1	11	1,440	293	1,830
CA-SOUTH	28	69	1	31	2,524	480	3,133

NORTHERN	316	19	22	2	96	98	553
GB-EAST	5	224		11	94	156	490
GB-WEST		127		16	36	78	257
SOUTHWEST	578	111	16	56	659	1,154	2,574
ROCKY MTN	299	242		24	680	229	1,474
EASTERN	562			20	8,426	340	9,348
SOUTHERN	4		75	44	16,581	539	17,243
USA	1,942	967	161	244	31,369	3,603	38,286
10 YEAR AVERAGE							47,950

ACRES BURNED: Year to date							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	28	640,660	466,328	18,283	260,128	32	1,385,459
NORTHWEST	223	4,237	207	1	1,780	366	6,814
CA-NORTH	90	511	1	24	4,043	787	5,456
CA-SOUTH	555	3,546	1	50	17,252	10,096	31,500
NORTHERN	1,117	487	1,104		1,086	282	4,076
GB-EAST	39	19,539		37	5,865	392	25,872
GB-WEST		23,083		0	183	690	23,956
SOUTHWEST	3,446	3,633	1,769	936	114,086	9,996	133,866
ROCKY MTN	14,284	5,616		1,391	24,192	811	46,294
EASTERN	3,220			75	55,072	5,118	63,485
SOUTHERN	12		7,274	1,413	218,102	12,990	239,791
USA	23,014	701,312	476,684	22,210	701,789	41,560	1,966,569
10 YEAR AVERAGE							1,488,228

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES				
PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	18	0	415	1,012
YUKON TERRITORY	1	0	90	10,124
ALBERTA	1	1	291	745
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	4	0	78	11,852
SASKATCHEWAN	0	0	260	2,475
MANITOBA	0	20	259	9,486
ONTARIO	3	3	845	26,117
QUEBEC	1	0	570	321,969
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	0	65	8,707
NEW BRUNSWICK	2	0	184	96
NOVA SCOTIA	1	0	196	451
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	28	93
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	19	276
TOTALS	32	24	3,300	393,403

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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